To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2455 without my signature.

While I am concerned about the rising costs of textbooks, this bill attempts to control prices for textbooks administratively, and may result in the unintended consequence of limiting the number of new books offered for adoption in California. We need to find more creative and realistic solutions to reduce the costs of instructional materials.

Furthermore, this bill would also eliminate important revisions made to the Education Code that are an integral part of the *Williams v. State of California* settlement agreement.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger